

the Representative Assembly for several years. Government had published their names as candidates to stand for election in the lists published on the day previous to the election. Having accepted their candidature and having given the members of the Assembly to understand that they were eligible for election, Government should have approved of their election especially as no new circumstances had come into existence against them between the date of the publication of their names as candidates and the date of vetoing the elections. If Government had considered that for any reasons they were not eligible to sit on the Council, their names should not have been allowed to stand on the list of candidates published during the session of the Assembly itself. It is prayed that Government may be pleased to assign reasons for the exercise of their veto and to modify the rules relating thereto, so that hereafter elections may not be vetoed without reasons being assigned therefor. The veto implies a slur on the Assembly. If any one in the list of approved candidates is elected, the election should be accepted. There are very few instances of the veto being exercised elsewhere.

Reply of Government.—The rules have recently been altered and the probability is that the election of a person from the list of approved candidates will be accepted by Government.

SUBJECT NO. 3.

Right of interpellation at the Legislative Council.

Mr. K. Sankaranarayana Rao, Nagar Sabha.

Summary of discussion.—Members of the Legislative Council may be given the right of interpellation. This will serve as an efficient check on the actions of some public servants and will also secure to the public timely information on all matters of public importance.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for future consideration.

SUBJECT NO. 4.

Legislative measures to be approved by the Representative Assembly.

Messrs. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore, C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk, S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality, and others.

Summary of discussion.—No Legislative Act should be passed by the Legislative Council, until it is discussed in the Representative Assembly. Some Acts at least should be placed before the Assembly for opinion. If some members wanted a bill to be so referred, it should be so dealt with. Opinions of individual members will not carry the same weight as the opinion of the Assembly.

Dewan.—The suggestion is not practicable. Legislation is not hurried through the Council and the members of the Representative Assembly may, if they like, informally meet and send up their opinions. Government would be glad if the Assembly would give a collective opinion on the Small Causes Court Regulation for instance. This will indicate how the suggestion will work.

Reply of Government.—Noted.